

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL  
MARCH 18, 2014**

The Jasper County Council met this date at 7:00 P.M. C.S.T. in the Commissioners' Room, Suite 202, of the Jasper County Courthouse located at 115 West Washington Street, Rensselaer, Indiana, with the following members present: H. Dan Stalbaum, Gerrit H. DeVries, Rein O. Bontreger, Stephen R. Jordan, Ronald Sipkema and Andrew Andree. Also present was the Auditor of Jasper County, Kimberly K. Grow and Deputy Auditor, Donya Jordan. Mr. Bontreger called the meeting to order and Mr. DeVries led those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:** Mr. DeVries made the motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Mr. Andree seconded this motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/COUNTY GENERAL/CIRCUIT COURT/PERSONAL SERVICES/CASA DIRECTOR & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR; SUPPLIES/CASA OFFICE SUPPLIES; OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES/ CASA CONTINUING EDUCATION/CASA RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION; CAPITAL OUTLAYS/CASA EQUIPMENT:** This was an additional appropriation request that was tabled from the January meeting. Judge Potter asked that this request be tabled until the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Stalbaum made a motion to table **Additional Appropriation Ordinance No. 2014-03A** as requested. Mr. Jordan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/RIVERBOAT SHARING FUND/AMBULANCE SERVICE/PROMPT AMBULANCE:** The auditor's office discovered after receiving Jasper County's Budget Order from the Department of Local Government Finance there wouldn't be enough money in the Emergency Services Fund to cover the contract agreements with our county ambulance services and the commissioners and council decided to pay the shortage in the amount of \$70,000.00 to Prompt Ambulance Service from the Riverboat Fund. Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve **Appropriation Ordinance No. 2014-03B** with Mr. Stalbaum. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/INNKEEPER'S TAX FUND/OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES:** The Jasper County Tourism Commission requested a budget for 2014 in the amount of \$95,000.00 (Community Marketing and Promotion-\$40,000.00, Community Activities Support Program-\$10,000.00, JCTC Administration-\$15,000.00 and SSCVA Partnership-\$30,000.00). This request is to promote tourism in Jasper County for 2014. Councilman Andree made the motion to approve this request and Mr. DeVries seconded this motion with the motion carrying unanimously.

**TRANSFERS:**

**CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT/SUPPLIES/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:** Auditor Grow requested \$5,000.00 be transferred from Other Services and Charges (Courthouse, Building and Ground Repair line) to Supplies (Weight and Measures Supplies line). Mr. Stalbaum made the motion to approve this transfer. Mr. Sipkema seconded this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**INDIANA LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT TRUST/PERSONAL SERVICES/HEALTH INSURANCE:** County Health Nurse Nancy Bailey requested a transfer from Intergovernmental-Health Insurance line to Personal Services-Health Insurance line in the amount of \$12,320.00. Councilman Stalbaum made the motion to approve this transfer with Mr. DeVries seconding this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**DRUG FREE COMMUNITY/SUPPLIES/OFFICE EXPENSES:** Deputy Auditor explained when she did the paperwork for the additional appropriation request in January for the Drug Free Community Fund there was an error where only \$8,000.00 instead of \$9,000.00 was to be appropriated into Other Services and Charges (coordinator services line) and \$1,000.00 in to Supplies (office expense line). This transfer request is to correct this error. Mr. Jordan made the motion to transfer this money. Mr. Sipkema seconded this motion with the motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**COMMISSIONERS' UPDATE:** Commissioner Culp explained that Hamstra Builders has completed the contracted work at the courthouse and annex. The Diedam painters are still working in the courthouse touching up the paint. The commissioners met with the Jasper County Airport Authority and have come to an agreement for the airport boundaries. The JCAA will have an official survey done. Some of the county farm ground was lost due to this agreement. Commissioner Walstra stated that the bid for the morgue update has been awarded to Hollandale Builders and he expects the work to be completed soon. The water damage at the Fase Senior Center has been repaired.

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**AIRSHOW UPDATE:** Jamie Mitchell who is the Fair Oaks Dairy Farms Adventure Center said she is almost certain that the air show will take place on July 11, 12 and 13. They are booking food vendors and other vendors at this time. Kevin Kelly said it was his understanding that the South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority is working with the Newton County Commissioners concerning the show. He also stated he told South Shore they needed to talk to the Jasper County Commissioners about the event. There is still a concern about the work and expense the county may incur from the event.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Mr. Andree made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Mr. Stalbaum seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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Rein O. Bontreger, President

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Kimberly K. Grow, Auditor of Jasper County